

15 Eye Care Services

Medicaid pays for certain eye care services provided by participating Optometrists, Opticians, and Ophthalmologists.

Ophthalmologists may refer to Chapter 28, Physician, for additional information.

Medicaid also contracts with a Central Source contractor who is responsible for providing lenses and frames for Medicaid recipients. At the option of the provider taking the frame measurements, eyeglasses may be obtained from the Central Source or from any other source. Medicaid will pay no more than the contract price charged by the Central Source. Sample kits are available (frames and display containers) which can be purchased by eye care practitioners at the contractor's cost of frames plus mailing. Currently, the Central Source contractor is Classic Optical. Classic Optical's phone number is 1-888-522-2020 and the website address is www.classicoptical.com.

The policy provisions for eye care providers can be found in the *Alabama Medicaid Agency Administrative Code*, Chapter 17.

15.1 Enrollment

EDS enrolls eye care providers and issues provider contracts to applicants who meet the licensure and/or certification requirements of the state of Alabama, the Code of Federal Regulations, the *Alabama Medicaid Agency Administrative Code*, and the *Alabama Medicaid Provider Manual*.

Refer to Chapter 2, Becoming a Medicaid Provider, for general enrollment instructions and information. Failure to provide accurate and truthful information or intentional misrepresentation might result in action ranging from denial of application to permanent exclusion.

Provider Number, Type, and Specialty

A provider who contracts with Medicaid as an Eye Care provider is issued a nine-digit Alabama Medicaid provider number that enables the provider to submit requests and receive reimbursements for eye care related claims.

NOTE:

All nine digits are required when filing a claim.

Opticians and Optometrists are assigned a provider type of 22 (Optician/Optometrist). Valid specialties for Eye Care providers include the following:

Optician (X3)

Optometrist (X4)

Ophthalmologists are enrolled with a provider type of 01 (Physician). The valid specialty is Ophthalmologist (18).

Enrollment Policy for Eye Care Providers

To participate in Medicaid, eye care providers must have current certification and be licensed to practice in the state of Alabama, allowed by their licensing board and the laws of State of Alabama.

To prescribe therapeutic agents for the eye, the optometrist must be appropriately licensed by the Alabama Board of Optometry.

15.2 Benefits and Limitations

This section describes program-specific benefits and limitations. Refer to Chapter 3, Verifying Recipient Eligibility, for general benefit information and limitations.

This section also discusses the types of eye examinations covered by Medicaid and describes the standards and procedures used to provide eyeglasses.

NOTE:

The Agency establishes annual benefit limits on certain covered services. Benefit limits related to eye care services are established every two calendar years for recipients 21 years of age or older. Therefore, it is imperative Eye Care Providers/Contractors furnishing services to recipients 21 years of age and older, verify benefit limits for the current year and the past year to determine if the eye care benefit limits have been exhausted. Providers/Contractors who do not verify benefit limits for two calendar years (last year and current year) for recipient's 21 years of age and older risk a denial of reimbursement for those services. When the recipient has exhausted his or her benefit limit for a particular service, providers may bill the recipient.

NOTE:

Prior authorized (PA) frames, lenses, exams, and fittings are now posting to the benefit limits screen. It is imperative to verify eligibility and benefit limits prior to rendering services. Please refer to Chapter 3, Verifying Recipient Eligibility for details.

15.2.1 Examinations

Medicaid eye care providers may administer and submit claims for several kinds of examinations, including the following:

- Examination for refractive error
- Optometrist services other than correction of refractive error
- Physician services

Providers may render services to Medicaid recipients confined to bed in a health care facility if the patient's attending physician documents that the patient is unable to leave the facility and that the examination is medically necessary.

Examination for Refractive Error

Medicaid recipients 21 years of age and older are authorized one complete eye examination and work-up for refractive error every two calendar years. Recipients under 21 years of age are authorized the same service each calendar year or more often if documented medical necessity indicates.

Complete Eye Examinations

The appropriate procedure codes to use when filing claims for a complete eye examination and refractive error work-up are codes 92004 and 92014.

A complete eye examination and refractive error work-up includes the following services:

- · Case history review
- Eye health examination
- Visual acuity testing
- Visual fields testing (if indicated)
- Tonometry
- Eyeglasses prescription (if indicated)
- Determination of optical characteristics of the lenses (refraction)

Examiners use the appropriate diagnosis code(s) to indicate the diagnosis.

NOTE:

For children, examine eye tension and visual fields only if indicated.

Please refer to Section 15.5.3 for additional information.

Optometrist Services

Optometrists may provide services other than correction of refractive error as follows:

- During an eye examination, if the optometrist suspects or detects irregularities requiring medical treatment that is not allowed by state law to be provided by an optometrist, the optometrist refers the case to an appropriate doctor of medicine or osteopathy.
- Contact lenses (when medically necessary for anisometropia, keratoconus, aphakia, and high magnification difference between lenses) require prior authorization.
- Eyeglass lens changes, within lens specifications authorized by Medicaid, may be supplied when needed because of visual changes due to eye disease, surgery, or injury.
- Orthoptics (eye exercises) require prior authorization.
- Photochromic lenses and UV400 coating require prior authorization.

- Post-operative cataract patients may be referred, with the patient's consent, to an optometrist for follow-up care as permitted by state law.
 Refer any subsequent abnormal or unusual conditions diagnosed during follow-up care back to the ophthalmologist.
- Artificial Eyes

Physician Services

Physicians may provide the following eye care services when diseases, injuries, or congenital defects are present:

- Contact lenses (when medically necessary for anisometropia, keratoconus, aphakia, and high magnification difference between lenses) require prior authorization.
- Orthoptics (eye exercises) require prior authorization.
- Eyeglass lens changes, within lens specifications authorized by Medicaid, may be supplied when needed because of visual changes due to eye disease, surgery, or injury.
- Artificial Eyes

15.2.2 Eyeglasses

If a Medicaid recipient requires eyeglasses, services include verification of prescription, dispensing of eyeglasses, frame selection, procurement of eyeglasses, and fitting and adjustment of the eyeglasses to the patient.

Recipients 21 years of age and older are authorized one pair of eyeglasses each two calendar years if indicated by an examination. Prior authorization is required for additional glasses within same benefit period. Recipients under 21 years of age are authorized the same service each calendar year, or more often if documented medical necessity indicates. These limitations also apply to fittings and adjustments.

At the option of the provider taking the frame measurements, either the Medicaid Central Source or any other source may provide eyeglasses that conform to Medicaid standards. Medicaid will pay no more than the contract price charged by the Central Source.

Frame Standards

See Section 15.5.3, Procedure Codes and Modifiers, for frame procedure codes and contract prices.

The authorized frames, or frames of equal quality, are provided for Medicaid recipients at the contract prices shown on the list. Under normal circumstances, the date of service for eyeglasses is the same as the date of examination. All frames must meet American National Standards Index (ANSI) standards. This information and color photos of the frames are also available to view and to download at the website of the Central Source (www.classicoptical.com).

Lens Standards

Lens specifications are authorized at the specified contract price. See Section 15.5.3, Procedure Codes and Modifiers, for lens procedure codes and contract prices.

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Lenses are composed of clear glass or clear plastic unless prior authorized by Medicaid because of unusual conditions. All lenses must meet Food and Drug Administration (FDA) impact-resistant regulations and conform to ANSI requirements.

Spherical lenses must have at least a plus or minus 0.50 diopter. The minimum initial correction for astigmatism only (no other error) is 0.50 diopter.

New Lenses Only

Patients who have old frames that meet the above standards may have new lenses installed instead of receiving new eyeglasses. Medicaid will pay for the lenses only.

Include the following statement in the patient's record: "I hereby certify that I used this patient's old frames and that I did not accept any remuneration therefore."

New Frame Only

Patients who have old lenses that meet the above standards may have them installed in a new frame instead of receiving new eyeglasses. Medicaid will pay for the frame only.

Include the following statement on the patient's record: "I hereby certify that I used this patient's old lenses and that I did not accept any remuneration therefore."

Patient Requests Other Eyeglasses

If a patient chooses eyeglasses other than those provided by Medicaid, the patient must pay the complete cost of the eyeglasses, including fitting and adjusting; Medicaid will not pay any part of the charge. To prevent possible later misunderstanding, the provider should have the patient sign the following statement for the patient's record: "I hereby certify that I have been offered Medicaid eyeglasses but prefer to purchase the eyeglasses myself."

Additional Eyeglasses and Eye Exams

If medically necessary, Medicaid may prior authorize additional eye exams and eyeglasses for treatment of eye injury, disease, or significant prescription change. The provider should forward an electronic PA request or an Alabama Prior Review and Authorization Request (Form 342) with a letter justifying necessity to EDS prior to ordering the eyeglasses.

Replacement of Glasses

When a patient presents to your office requesting replacement of glasses for medically necessary reasons or unrepairable damage to glasses within the benefit limit period, the following instructions should be followed. For patients 21 years of age or older, prior authorization is required for additional glasses above the benefit limit of 1 pair of glasses each two (2) calendar years. Patients less than 21 years of age are authorized additional services when medically necessary and documentation in the medical record supports medical necessity, without a prior authorization.

When it is determined that a second pair of glasses is medically necessary or unrepairable, the block on Classic Optical's job order form entitled "Date of Exam/Order" must have the date the patient returned to your office as opposed to the original date of the eye examination. This date will represent the "order" date. If the date of the original examination is transcribed, Classic's claim will deny.

If this is a recent replacement and does not necessitate another eye exam, you are not required to perform another eye exam.

If the replacement reason is necessary due to warranty or workmanship reasons and within 90 days of the original issue of eyeglasses, contact Classic Optical at 1-888-522-2020 for replacement at no cost.

Ordering Frames, Lenses and Eyeglasses

As provided in Section 15.2.2 above, providers may order eyeglasses from the Central Medicaid source, Classic Optical, or any other source that conforms to Medicaid standards.

From the Central Source, providers can place orders electronically via the Internet at www.classicoptical.com, fax 1-888-522-2022 or mail. To enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of eyeglass ordering, the Central Source recommends for providers to order eyeglasses electronically via the Internet at www.classicoptical.com. There is no additional charge for placing eyeglass orders electronically. The benefits of ordering via the internet include:

- Quicker order processing and turnaround
- Immediate order correction via online SMART Order Form[®] which prevents ordering non-contract items and impossible ophthalmic combinations
- Immediate e-mail response order confirmation
- Ability to print copy of Rx order
- Improved access to information including date of next eligible vision benefit
- Access to Recipient Vision Profile Screen
- Ability to track orders including confirm expected ship date
- Ability to view backorder frames
- Online frame catalogue (view and print frame photos)
- Stock frame SMART Order Form[®] online ordering
- Answers to Alabama Medicaid Vision Program Frequently Asked Questions

Visit www.classicoptical.com to view these benefits or call a Classic Optical Tech Rep at 1-888-522-2020 to get a username and password to access these functions. For complete instructions for ordering via the internet visit www.classicoptical.com.

NOTE:

When the Central Source provides eyeglasses, the provider cannot bill Medicaid for lenses and frames. Only the Central Source may submit claims for these services.

Added: Ordering Frames, Lenses and Eyeglasses section

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Paper Eyeglass prescription forms are available from the Central Source, upon request. When the Central Source provides eyeglasses, the provider cannot bill Medicaid for lenses and frames. Only the Central Source may submit claims for these services.

| Field on Form | Information To Enter |
|---|--|
| Provider Number | Enter ordering provider number. |
| Date | Enter only the date of service or date of prior authorization letter. Do not enter any other dates. |
| Eyeglasses Prescription Information | Enter the prescription in the appropriate fields provided. |
| P.D. Far-Near | Indicate as appropriate. |
| Eye | Enter appropriate measurement. |
| Bridge | Enter appropriate measurement. |
| Seg Height | Enter appropriate measurement. |
| Type Lenses | Indicate plastic or glass. |
| Temple Length | Enter appropriate measurement. |
| SV | Check appropriate block. |
| Frame | Enter appropriate frame name and color. |
| Special Instructions | Indicate as applicable. |
| Insurer's ID Number or RID number | Enter the 13-digit RID number from the recipient's plastic Medicaid card. Please verify this information. The Eyeglass Central Source is dependent upon the examiner for this vital information. Failure to furnish accurate information may delay or deny payment to the Medicaid Central Source. |
| Patient name | Enter the patient's last name, first name, and middle initial as it appears on the plastic Medicaid card. |
| Date of Birth | Enter patient's date of birth. |
| Patient's Address | Enter address |
| Patient or Authorized Person's Signature/Doctor's Signature | Have patient or patient's authorized representative sign and indicate the doctor's signature. |
| Prior Authorization | If services performed require prior authorization, indicate the ten-digit number supplied by Medicaid. |
| Provider | Enter the provider name and address to which the Central Source will deliver the completed eyeglasses. |

The provider keeps the pink copy and forwards the other copies to the Central Source. The remainder of the form will be completed by the Central Source. Providers may submit paper order forms by faxing to Classic Optical at 1-888-522-2022, or by mail, to Classic Optical at P.O. Box 1341, Youngstown, Ohio 44501. For inquiries on your order or to order by phone, you may contact Customer Service at Classic Optical at 1-888-522-2020.

15.3 Prior Authorization and Referral Requirements

The Medicaid program requires that Medicaid give authorization prior to the delivery or payment of certain eye care services. Refer to Chapter 4, Obtaining Prior Authorization, for information about requesting prior authorization.

Prior authorization from Medicaid is required for the following eye care services:

Lens and frame change in same benefit period

Orthoptic training (eye exercises)

Additional comprehensive exams in same benefit period

Photochromic lenses

UV 400 lens coating

Low vision aids

Contact lenses (for anisometropia, keratoconus, aphakia, and high magnification difference between lenses)

Progressive Lenses

All requests for prior authorization should include the following information:

- 1. Recipient's name
- 2. Recipient's Medicaid Number (thirteen-digits)
- 3. Past and current prescription data (complete for both eyes), including diagnosis code(s)
- 4. Exception requested (what is being requested)
- 5. Reason for exception (explain, e.g., cataract surgery date, etc...), with current justification
- 6. Signature of practitioner
- 7. Address of practitioner

Refer to Section 15.5.3, Procedure Codes and Modifiers, for the appropriate procedure codes for services requiring prior authorization.

Patient 1st Referral Requirements

The following ranges of procedure codes (including routine vision exams, eyeglasses, fittings, and lenses) **do not require a referral** for Patient 1st recipients:

| Procedure Code | Description | |
|----------------|---|--|
| V0100-V2799 | CMS Assignment of Vision Services | |
| V2020 | Eyeglasses, Frames | |
| V2025 | Eyeglasses, Special Order Frames | |
| 92002-92015 | Ophthalmological services for new or established patients | |
| 92313 | Corneoscleral lens | |
| 92315-92317 | Corneal lens/Corneoscleral lens | |
| 92326 | Replacement of lens | |

Refer to Chapter 39, Patient 1st, for more information on Patient 1st requirements.

Eyeglass Contractors

If the Central Source provides eyeglasses, send them a copy of the approval letter from Medicaid bearing the ten-digit prior authorization number.

15.4 Cost Sharing (Copayment)

The copayment amount for optometric office visits is \$1.00 per visit including crossovers. Copayment does not apply to services provided for pregnant women, nursing home residents, recipients less than 18 years of age, emergencies, and family planning.

The provider may not deny services to any eligible Medicaid recipient because of the recipient's inability to pay the cost-sharing (copayment) amount imposed.

15.5 Completing the Claim Form

To enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of Medicaid processing, provider should bill Medicaid claims electronically.

Eye care providers who bill Medicaid claims electronically receive the following benefits:

- Quicker claim processing turnaround
- · Immediate claim correction
- Enhanced online adjustment functions
- Improved access to eligibility information

Refer to Appendix B, Electronic Media Claims Guidelines, for more information about electronic filing.

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NOTE:

When filing a claim on paper, a CMS-1500 claim form is required. Medicare-related claims must be filed using the Medical Medicare-related Claim Form.

This section describes program-specific claims information. Providers should refer to Chapter 5, Filing Claims, for general claims filing information and instructions.

This section explains how to file claims for the following situations:

- Eye examination only
- Eye examination and fitting by one provider, eyeglasses from the Central Source
- Fitting only, eyeglasses from the Central Source
- Post-operative care
- Ophthalmoscopy extended (92225) and subsequent (92226)
- Other situations

≻Electronic claims submission can save vou time and money. The system alerts you to common errors and allows you to correct and resubmit claims online.

NOTE:

Providers who furnish services should only bill for those services provided. Please be aware when filing claims that the claim reflects services actually rendered/provided. Billing for services not provided could be considered fraudulent. Please ensure your billing staff is aware of appropriate billing practices.

Routine Checkups and Medicare

Generally routine eye examinations are not covered by Medicare. However, Medicare covers treatment of eye diseases, for example, cataracts and glaucoma. When filing claims for routine eye exams you may file directly to Medicaid. If you are filing claims for medical conditions related to eyes, please file with Medicare before filing with Medicaid.

Eye Examination Only

When the Medicaid recipient undergoes an eye examination only, the examiner completes a claim that specifies "Complete Eye Examinations and Refraction."

If services other than a "complete examination" are provided, the claim should reflect the appropriate optometric procedure code or office visit code. Refer to 15.5.3, Procedure Codes and Modifiers, for a list of possible procedure codes. Send this claim directly to EDS.

Eye Examination and Fitting by One Provider, Eyeglasses from the Central Source Contractor

Use the following procedure when one provider performs an eye examination (including refraction) and fitting (including frame service, verification, and subsequent service) and the central Medicaid source contractor provides the eyeglasses.

- The examiner completes the CMS-1500 claim form, separately identifying the examination, refraction, and fitting. The examiner does not bill lenses and frames.
- The examiner forwards the Medicaid job order form reflecting all necessary prescription data, including frame required, to the Central Source.
- The contractor fills the prescription and returns the eyeglasses to the examiner for delivery to the patient. The Patient or Authorized Signature box must be complete with the appropriate signature or the statement "Signature on file."
- 4. The Central Source contractor submits claims for payment to EDS.

When eyeglasses are NOT procured from the Central Source contractor, the claim should separately specify charges for the examination performed, refraction, fitting, lenses, and frame.

When Opticians provide eyeglasses, the claim should identify only the fitting service, lenses, and frame. The claim is sent directly to EDS. Lenses and frames are reimbursed at the Central Source contract prices.

Fitting Only, Eyeglasses from the Central Source Contractor

Use the following procedure when one provider performs a fitting (including frame service, verification, and subsequent service) and the Central Source contractor provides the eyeglasses.

The provider completes a claim that specifies the fitting services only. Send claims for payment directly to EDS.

Post-Operative Care

Medicaid will deny post-operative claims when the surgeon (ophthalmologist) receives payment for the global amount. Medicaid will not process post-operative management claims until the referring ophthalmologist has received payment for surgery. It is the responsibility of the optometrist to confer with the surgeon for appropriate claim corrections and/or submissions.

Ophthalmoscopy extended (92225) and subsequent (92226)

Ophthalmoscopy extended (92225) and subsequent (92226) are considered reasonable and necessary services for example, evaluation of tumors, retinal tears, detachments, hemorrhages, exudative detachments, retinal defects without detachment, and other ocular defects for the meticulous evaluation of the eye and detailed documentation of a severe ophthalmologic problem when photography is not adequate or appropriate. A serious retinal condition must exist, or be suspected, based on routine ophthalmoscopy which requires further detailed study. It must add information not available from the standard evaluation services and/or information that will demonstrably affect the treatment plan. Accordingly, medical record documentation should be recorded in the patient's medical record.

Other Situations

Providers may render special services for unusual situations upon prior authorization. Medicaid must receive full, written information justifying medical necessity prior to the service being rendered. Please refer to Chapter 4, Obtaining Prior Authorization for more information.

15.5.1 Time Limit for Filing Claims

Medicaid requires all claims to be filed within one year of the date of service. Refer to Section 5.1.4, Filing Limits, for more information regarding timely filing limits and exceptions.

15.5.2 Diagnosis Codes

The International Classification of Diseases Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) manual lists required diagnosis codes. These manuals may be obtained by contacting the American Medical Association, P.O. Box 10950, Chicago, IL 60610.

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NOTE:

ICD-9 diagnosis codes must be listed to the highest number of digits possible (3, 4, or 5 digits). Do not use decimal points in the diagnosis code field.

15.5.3 Procedure Codes and Modifiers

Medicaid uses the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS). HCPCS is composed of the following:

- American Medical Association's Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)
- Nationally assigned codes developed by Medicare

The (837) Professional electronic claim and the paper claim have been modified to accept up to four Procedure Code Modifiers.

This section lists procedure codes for optometric services and equipment arranged by type of service or equipment:

- Common Optometric services
- Special Optometric services
- Contact lenses
- Eyeglasses codes

Services requiring prior authorization are identified in the Prior Authorization column (PA Required).

To report intermediate, comprehensive, and special services, use the specific ophthalmological description.

Common Optometric Services

The Optometric Services listed below are those commonly used by Optometrists and Ophthalmologists. Procedure codes 92004 and 92014 should include a complete eye exam and work-up as outlined in Section 15.2.1.

| Procedure Code | Description | |
|----------------|---|--|
| 92002 | Ophthalmological services: medical examination and evaluation with initiation of diagnostic and treatment program; intermediate, new patient | |
| 92004 | Comprehensive, new patient, one or more visits | |
| 92012 | Ophthalmological services: medical examination and evaluation, with initiation or continuation of diagnostic and treatment program; intermediate, established patient | |
| 92014 | Comprehensive, established patient, one or more visits | |
| 92015 | Determination of refractive state (Bill as an add-on charge with complete eye exam when refraction is accomplished) | |

| Procedure Code | Description |
|----------------|---|
| 99201 | New Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient which requires these three key components: |
| | A problem-focused history |
| | A problem-focused examination; and |
| | Straightforward medical decision making |
| 99202 | New Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient which requires these three key components An expanded problem-focused history |
| | An expanded problem-focused examination; and Straightforward medical decision making |
| 99203 | New Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient which requires these three key components: |
| | A detailed history |
| | A detailed examination; and |
| | Medical decision making of low complexity |
| 99204 | New Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient which requires these three key components: |
| | A comprehensive history |
| | A comprehensive examination; and |
| | Medical decision making of moderate complexity |
| 99205 | New Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient which requires these three key components: |
| | A comprehensive history |
| | A comprehensive examination; and |
| | Medical decision making of high complexity |
| 99211 | Established Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that may not require the presence of a physician. Usually the presenting problems are minimal. Typically, 5 minutes are spent performing or supervising these services. |
| 99212 | Established Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the |
| 00212 | evaluation and management of an established patient which requires at least two of these three key components: |
| | A problem-focused history |
| | A problem-focused examination |
| | Straightforward medical decision making |
| 99213 | Established Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the |
| | evaluation and management of an established patient which |
| | requires at least two of these three key components: |
| | An expanded problem-focused history |
| | An expanded problem-focused examination |
| | Medical decision making of low complexity |
| 99214 | Established Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the |
| | evaluation and management of an established patient which |
| | requires at least two of these three key components: |
| | A detailed history |
| | A detailed examination |
| | Medical decision making of moderate complexity |
| 99215 | Established Patient: Office or other outpatient visit for the |
| | evaluation and management of an established patient which requires at least two of these three key components: |
| | A comprehensive history A comprehensive propriet at the second sec |
| | A comprehensive examination |
| | Medical decision making of high complexity |

Miscellaneous Procedures

| Procedure Code | Description | |
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| 99241 | Office consultation for a new or established patient, which requires these three key components: | |
| | A problem focused history | |
| | A problem focused examination | |
| | Straightforward medical decision making | |
| 99242 | Office consultation for a new or established patient, which requires these three key components: • An expanded problem focused history | |
| | An expanded problem focused examination | |
| | Straightforward medical decision making | |
| 99251 | Initial inpatient consultation for a new or established patient, which requires these three key components: | |
| | A problem focused history | |
| | A problem focused examination | |
| | Straightforward medical decision making | |
| 99252 | Initial inpatient consultation for a new or established patient, which requires these three key components: | |
| | An expanded problem focused history | |
| | An expanded problem focused examination | |
| | Straightforward medical decision making | |
| 99261 | Follow-up inpatient consultation for an established patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: | |
| | A problem focused interval history | |
| | A problem focused examination | |
| | Medical decision making that is straightforward or of low complexity | |
| 99262 | Follow-up inpatient consultation for an established patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: | |
| | An expanded problem focused interval history | |
| | An expanded problem focused examination | |
| | Medical decision making of moderate complexity | |
| 99311 | Subsequent Nursing Facility Care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a new or established patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: | |
| | A problem focused interval history | |
| | A problem focused examination | |
| | Medical decision making that is straightforward or of low complexity | |
| 99312 | Subsequent Nursing Facility Care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a new or established patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: | |
| | An expanded problem focused interval history | |
| | An expanded problem focused examination | |
| | Medical decision making of moderate complexity | |
| 99313 | Subsequent Nursing Facility Care, per day, for the evaluation and management of a new or established patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: | |
| | A detailed interval history | |
| | A detailed examination | |
| | Medical decision making of moderate to high complexity | |

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Special Optometric Services

| Procedure Code | Description | PA Required | |
|-------------------|--|-------------|--|
| 92018 | Opthalmological examination and evaluation under general anesthesia, with or without manipulation of globe for passive range of motion or other manipulation to facilitate diagnostic evaluation | No | |
| 92019 | Limited | No | |
| 92020 | Gonioscopy (separate procedure) | No | |
| 92060 | Sensorimotor examination with multiple measurements of ocular deviation (e.g., restrictive or paretic muscle with diplopia) with interpretation and report (separate procedure) | No | |
| 92065 | Orthoptic training and/or pleoptic training, with continuing medical direction and evaluation (requires prior authorization from Medicaid) | Yes | |
| 92070 | Fitting of contact lens for treatment of disease, including supply of lens | No | |
| 92081 | Visual field examination, unilateral or bilateral, with interpretation and report; limited examination (eg, tangent screen, Autoplot, arc perimeter, or single stimulus level automated test, such as Octopus 3 or 7 equivalent) | No | |
| 92082 | Intermediate examination (eg, at least 2 isopters on Goldmann perimeter, or semiquantitative, automated suprathreshold screening program, Humphrey suprathreshold automatic diagnostic test, Octopus program 33) | No | |
| 92083 | Extended examination (eg, Goldmann visual fields with at least 3 isopters plotted and static determination within the central 300 | No | |
| 92100 | Serial tonometry (separate procedure) with multiple measurements of intraocular pressure over an extended time period with interpretation and report, same day (eg, diurnal curve or medical treatment of acute elevation of intraocular pressure) | No | |
| 92136 | Opthalmic biometry by partial coherence interferometry with intraocular lens power calculation | No | |
| 92140 | Provocative tests for glaucoma, with interpretation and report, without tonography | No | |
| 92225 | Ophthalmoscopy, extended, with retinal drawing (eg, for retinal detachment, melanoma), with interpretation and report; initial | No | |
| 92226 | Subsequent | No | |
| 92230 | Florescein angioscopy with interpretation and report | No | |
| 92250 | Fundus photography with interpretation and report | No | |
| 92260 | Opthalmolodynamometry | No | |
| 92270 | Electro-oculography with interpretation and report | No | |
| 92275 | Electroretinography with interpretation and report | No | |
| 92283 | Color vision examination extended, e.g., anomaloscope or equivalent | No | |
| 92284 | Dark adaptation examination with interpretation and report | No | |
| 92285 | External ocular photography with interpretation and report for documentation of medical progress (eg, close-up photography, slit lamp photography, goniophotography, stereo-photography) | No | |
| 92330 | Prescription, fitting, and supply of ocular prosthesis (artificial eye), with medical supervision of adaptation | No | |

| Procedure Code | Description | PA Required |
|-------------------|---|-------------|
| 92335 | Prescription of ocular prosthesis (artificial eye) and direction of fitting and supply by independent technician, with medical supervision of adaptation | No |
| 92340 | Fitting of spectacles, except aphakia; monofocal | No |
| 92341 | Bifocal | No |
| 92342 | Multifocal, other than bifocal | No |
| 92352 | Fitting of spectacle prosthesis for aphakia; Monofocal | No |
| 92353 | Multifocal | No |
| 92354 | Fitting of spectacle mounted low vision aid; single element system | No |
| 92355 | Telescopic or other compound lens system | No |
| 92358 | Prosthesis service for aphakia, temporary (disposable or loan, including materials) | No |
| 92370 | Repair and refitting spectacles; except for aphakia | No |
| 92371 | Spectacle prosthesis for aphakia | No |
| 92390 | Supply of spectacles, except prosthesis foe aphakia and low vision aids | No |
| 92391 | Supply of contact lenses, except prosthesis for aphakia | Yes |
| 92392 | Supply of low vision aids (A low vision aid is any lens or device used to aid or improve visual function in a person whose vision cannot be normalized by conventional spectacle correction. Includes reading additions up to 4D) | Yes |
| 92393 | Supply of ocular prosthesis (artificial eye) | No |
| 92395 | Supply of permanent prosthesis for aphakia; spectacles | No |
| 92396 | Contact lenses | Yes |

Surgical Procedures

| Procedure Code | Description |
|-------------------|--|
| 65205* | Removal of foreign body, external eye; conjunctival superficial |
| 65210* | Conjunctival embedded (includes concretions), subconjunctival, or scleral nonperforating |
| 65220* | Corneal, without slit lamp |
| 65222* | Corneal, with slit lamp |
| 68801* | Dilation of lacrimal punctum, with or without irrigation |
| 68810* | Probing of nasolacrimal duct, with or without irrigation |

^{*} Service Includes Surgical Procedure Only

Post Operative Care Modifiers

Use the appropriate modifier identifying post-operative management when submitting claims.

| 1 st Modifier | Description |
|--------------------------|--|
| 55 | Postoperative Management (Optometrist) |
| 54 | Surgical Care (Opthamologist) |

| 2 nd Modifier | Description |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| RT | Right Eye |
| LT | Left Eye |

Contact Lenses

Contact lenses may be provided for post-cataract surgery, anisometropia, keratoconus treatment, and high magnification difference between lenses. Fitting services are billed as a separate billed item. Lenses are billed per lens. Prior authorization is required for lenses and fitting services.

| Procedure Code | Modifier, If Applicable | Description | PA Required |
|-------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------|
| V2510 | | Contact lens, gas permeable, spherical | Yes |
| V2511 | | Contact lens, gas permeable, toric | Yes |
| V2513 | | Contact lens, gas permeable, extended wear | Yes |
| V2520 | | Contact lens, hydrophilic, spherical | Yes |
| V2521 | | Contact lens, hydrophilic, toric | Yes |
| V2523 | | Contact lens, hydrophilic, extended wear | Yes |
| 92310 | 52 | Prescription of optical and physical characteristics of and fitting of contact lens, with medical supervision of adaptation; corneal lens, both eyes, except for aphakia | Yes |
| 92311 | | Corneal lens for aphakia, one eye | Yes |
| 92312 | | Corneal lens for aphakia, both eyes | Yes |
| 92313 | | Corneoscleral lens | Yes |
| 92314 | | Prescription of optical and physical characteristics of contact lens, with medical supervision of adaptation and direction of fitting by independent technician; corneal lens, both eyes except for aphakia | Yes |
| 92315 | | Corneal lens for aphakia, one eye | Yes |
| 92316 | | Corneal lens for aphakia, both eyes | Yes |
| 92317 | | Corneoscleral lens | Yes |
| 92325 | | Modification of contact lens (separate procedure), with medical supervision of adaptation | No |
| 92326 | | Replacement of contact lens | Yes |

Eyeglasses Codes

At the option of the provider making the frame measurements, eyeglasses that conform to Medicaid standards may be procured from either the Central Source or from any other source. However, Medicaid will pay only the contract price charged by the Central Source.

Use the procedure codes and prices listed below for lenses. Add-on lens treatments requiring prior authorization are listed separately.

The lens specifications below are authorized at the specified contract price. Lenses must meet FDS impact-resistant regulations and must be made of glass or clear plastic except when other materials are prior authorized by Medicaid for unusual conditions. Spherical lenses must be at least a plus or minus 0.50 diopter. The minimum initial correction for astigmatism only (with no other error) is 0.50 diopter.

Procedure codes are listed in the following order: Lens Codes

- Single vision
- Bifocal sphere
- Bifocal spherocylinder cylinder
- Other lenses
- Lenses requiring prior authorization from Medicaid before ordering.

The frame specifications below are authorized at the specified contract price. Effective July 1, 2002, the locally assigned procedure codes for frames are converted to one of two codes (PC), V2020 and V2025. A special order frame is designated as V2025 and should be billed as \$25.00. Procedure code V2020 is designated for all the other frame codes and the amount billed should be according to the frame provided. In other words, providers should bill the price of the frame in this manual and not their usual and customary price for the frame.

Frame Codes

- Women's frames
- Girls' frames
- Men's frames
- Boys' frames
- Unisex frames for men, women, boys, or girls
- Special frame (size, type) other than above

Single Vision Spherocylinder (Plus or Minus)

| Single Vision (Plus or Minus) | Price Per Lens |
|---|----------------|
| V2100 - Plano - 4.00 | \$ 5.23 |
| V2101 – 4.25 – 7.00 | 5.23 |
| V2102 – 7.25 – 12.00 | 7.00 |
| V2103 - Plano - 4.00/0.25 - 2.00 cylinder | 5.43 |
| V2104 – Plano – 4.00/2.25 – 4.00 cylinder | 5.43 |
| V2105 – Plano – 4.00/4.25 – 6.00 cylinder | 7.26 |
| V2106 - Plano - 4.00/over 6.00 cylinder | 7.35 |
| V2107 – 4.25 – 7.00/0.25 – 2.00 cylinder | 5.69 |
| V2108 – 4.25 – 7.00/2.25 – 4.00 cylinder | 7.14 |
| V2109 – 4.25 – 7.00/4.25 – 6.00 cylinder | 7.52 |
| V2110 – 4.75 – 7.00/over 6.00 cylinder | 7.85 |
| V2111 - 7.25 - 12.00/0.25 - 2.25 cylinder | 7.74 |
| V2112 - 7.25 - 12.00/2.25 - 4.00 cylinder | 7.78 |
| V2113 - 7.25 - 12.00/4.25 - 6.00 cylinder | 8.70 |
| V2114*- 7.25 - 12.00/over 6.00 cylinder | 15.57 |

Bifocal Sphere (Plus or Minus)

| Bifocal Sphere (Plus or Minus) | Price Per Lens |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| V2200 - Plano - 4.00 | \$ 7.31 |
| V2201 – 4.25 – 7.00 | 8.20 |
| V2202 – 7.25 – 12.00 | 9.12 |

Bifocal Spherocylinder (Plus or Minus)

| Bifocal Spherocylinder (Plus or Minus) Cylinder | Price Per Lens |
|---|-------------------|
| V2203 - Plano - 4.00/0.25 - 2.00 cylinder | \$ 7.31 |
| V2204 - Plano - 4.00/2.25 - 4.00 cylinder | 7.64 |
| V2205 – Plano – 4.00/4.25 – 6.00 cylinder | 8.05 |
| V2206 - Plano - 4.00/over 6.00 cylinder | 8.84 |
| V2207 – 4.25 – 7.00/0.25 – 2.00 cylinder | 8.25 |
| V2208 - 4.25 - 7.00/2.25 - 4.00 cylinder | 8.32 |

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| Bifocal Spherocylinder (Plus or Minus) Cylinder | Price Per Lens |
|---|-------------------|
| V2209 - 4.25 - 7.00/4.25 - 6.00 cylinder | 8.69 |
| V2210 – 4.75– 7.00/over 6.00 cylinder | 8.80 |
| V2211 – 7.25 – 12.00/0.25 – 2.25 cylinder | 9.18 |
| V2212 - 7.25 - 12.00/2.25 - 4.00 cylinder | 9.85 |
| V2213 – 7.25 – 12.00/4.25 – 6.00 cylinder | 10.42 |
| V2214* - 7.25 - 12.00/over 6.00 cylinder | 10.42 |
| V2199 – Over plus or minus 12.00 diopters | 18.80 |
| V2700 – Balance lens | 5.15 |

NOTE:

Procedure Code V2199 may be used to bill for "add power".

Other

| Other | Price Per Lens |
|---|-------------------|
| V2115 – Lenticular (Myodisc) * (stand alone) | \$ 31.56 |
| V2121 – Lenticular lens, per lens, single * (stand alone) | 5.00 |
| V2299 – Executive Bifocals * (stand alone) | 9.85 |
| V2399 – Trifocals * (stand alone) | 10.28 |
| V2499 – Aspheric * (stand alone cost) | 11.69 |
| V2710 – Slab-off Prism * (stand alone) | 30.90 |
| V2715 – Prism Add ** (add-on) | 1.50 |
| V2718 – Press On Fresnell Prisms ** (add on) | 11.18 |
| V2745 – Tinted Lenses ** (add-on) | 2.00 |
| V2784 – Polycarbonate Lenses * (stand alone) | 11.98 |

Lenses Requiring Prior Authorization from Medicaid Before Ordering

| Lens | Price per Lens |
|---|-------------------|
| V2744 – Photocromic ** (add-on cost) | \$ 6.38 |
| V2755 – UV 400 Coating ** (add-on cost) | 3.00 |
| V2781 - Progressives - CR-39 (effective July 1, 2002) | 25.00 |

^{*} Stand Alone Cost: This item is all-inclusive, billed with no other lens code.

Frames:

NOTE:

Providers should bill the price of the frame in this manual and not their usual and customary price for the frame.

^{**} Add-on Cost: This item to be billed in addition to appropriate lens code.

Women's Frames- <u>Providers should bill the price of the frame in this manual and not their usual and customary price for the frame</u>

Women's Frames: Added: (IG - 4 Philip Optics) <u>deleted 11-01-2005</u>

Added: (V2020): 515 Detari/Europa 905 Detari/Europa Ltd. 915 Ltd Edition Debra Ltd. Edition CC 57 Zimco

Girls Frames: Added: (IG - 27 Philip Optics) deleted 11-01-2005

Added: (IG - 25 Philip Optics)
deleted 11-01-2005

Added: (V2020)

<u>Detari/Europa</u>

<u>Curly Ltd. Edition</u>

<u>Gift Modern</u>

Men's Frames Added: (V2020) 901 Detari/Europa 908 Detari/Europa

| Frame | Code -Description | Price |
|-------|---|-------|
| V2020 | Betty Spring | 10.95 |
| V2020 | CC 52 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Regina (Metal) | 9.45 |
| V2020 | Oretha Limited Edition | 10.95 |
| V2020 | Hart - LG - 6021 | 11.95 |
| V2020 | CC 53 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | IG - 4 Philip Optics deleted 11-01-2005 | 12.95 |
| V2020 | J5602 | 9.95 |
| V2020 | J5631 | 9.95 |
| V2020 | LG 8403 | 5.00 |
| V2020 | 515 Detari/Europa | 8.95 |
| V2020 | 905 Detari/Europa | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Ltd. 915 Ltd Edition | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Debra Ltd. Edition | 8.95 |
| V2020 | CC 57 Zimco | 8.95 |

Girls' Frames- <u>Providers should bill the price of the frame in this manual and not their usual and customary price for the frame</u>

| Frame | Code-Description | Price |
|-------|--|-------|
| V2020 | Mainstreet 415 (boys frames also) | 12.50 |
| V2020 | IG - 27 Philip Optics deleted 11-01-2005 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | IG - 25 Philip Optics deleted 11-01-2005 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Nino | 6.95 |
| V2020 | Boulevard 4170 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Pumpkin | 9.95 |
| V2020 | Pumpkin S | 9.95 |
| V2020 | Panda CC | 12.50 |
| V2020 | Panda CCS | 12.50 |
| V2020 | Detari/Europa | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Curly Ltd. Edition | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Gift Modern | 8.95 |

Men's Frames- <u>Providers should bill the price of the frame in this manual and not their usual and customary price for the frame</u>

| Frame | Code Description | Price |
|-------|----------------------------|-------|
| V2020 | Trenton | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Atlantic | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Manchester Limited Edition | 11.95 |
| V2020 | Moscow | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Eddie | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Elay | 11.95 |
| V2020 | Leo #2 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Star | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Uptown | 6.95 |
| V2020 | J5638 | 7.95 |
| V2020 | J5603 | 6.95 |
| V2020 | 901 Detari/Europa | 8.95 |
| V2020 | 908 Detari/Europa | 8.95 |

Boys' Frames- <u>Providers should bill the price of the frame in this manual and not their usual and customary price for the frame</u>

| Frame | Code-Description | Price |
|-------|------------------|---------|
| V2020 | Chuckles | \$12.95 |
| V2020 | IG 27 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Nick | 5.95 |
| V2020 | Pacific | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Rae | 5.95 |
| V2020 | CC 42 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | CC 37 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Chris | 8.95 |

Unisex Frames for Men, Women, Boys, Girls- <u>Providers should bill the price</u> of the frame in this manual and not their usual and customary price for the frame

| Frame | Code Description | Price |
|-------|---|-------|
| V2020 | Cambridge | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Hart: Boulevard 4017 – Metal deleted 11-01-2005 | 11.15 |
| V2020 | S-502 | 7.95 |
| V2020 | Boulevard 1104 Hart | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Robby Limited Edition | 11.95 |
| V2020 | Overlook Hart | 4.95 |
| V2020 | Ontario Zimco | 9.95 |
| V2020 | Gusto | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Boulevard 4502 Hart | 9.95 |
| V2020 | Boulevard 4508 Hart (may substitute Ellen - Phil Optiks) | 9.95 |
| V2020 | S 301 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Boulevard 4509 Hart | 10.95 |
| V2020 | Boulevard 4511 Hart | 10.95 |
| V2020 | Boulevard 4517 Hart | 10.95 |
| V2020 | Kidco 6 | 9.95 |
| V2020 | Adrian deleted 11-01-2005 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | J5616 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | J5606 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | J5612 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Bella 223 | 11.95 |
| V2020 | Kidco 5 | 9.95 |
| V2020 | BLVD 4154 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | Ellen deleted 11-01-2005 | 10.95 |
| V2020 | Jeri deleted 11-01-2005 | 8.95 |
| V2020 | LG 8023 | 10.95 |
| V2020 | LTD 182 | 10.95 |
| V2020 | LTD 183 | 10.95 |
| V2020 | Smitty deleted 11-01-2005 | 11.15 |
| V2020 | 905 Detari/Europa | 8.95 |
| V2020 | 911 Detari/Europa | 8.95 |

Special Frame (Size, Type) Other Than Above- <u>Providers should bill the price of the frame in this manual and not their usual and customary price for the frame</u>

| Frame | Code Description | Price |
|-------|------------------------------------|---------|
| V2025 | Special Order Frames (PA REQUIRED) | \$39.95 |

Added: (Hart: Boulevard 4017 – Metal) deleted 11-01-2005

Added: (Adrian) deleted 11-01-2005

Added: (Ellen) deleted 11-01-2005

Added: (Jeri) deleted 11-01-2005

Added: (Smitty) deleted 11-01-2005

Added:
905 Detari/
Europa
911 Detari/
Europa

15.5.4 Place of Service Codes

The following place of service codes apply when filing claims for eye care services:

| POS Code | Description |
|----------|--|
| 11 | Office |
| 21 | Inpatient Hospital |
| 22 | Outpatient Hospital |
| 23 | Emergency Room – Hospital |
| 31 | Skilled Nursing Facility or Nursing Home |
| 32 | Nursing Facility |

15.5.5 Required Attachments

To enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of Medicaid processing, your attachments should be limited to the following circumstances.

Claims With Third Party Denials

NOTE:

When an attachment is required, a hard copy CMS-1500 claim form must be submitted.

Refer to Section 5.7, Required Attachments, for more information on attachments.

15.6 For More Information

This section contains a cross-reference to other relevant sections in the manual.

| Resource | Where to Find it |
|---|------------------|
| CMS-1500 Claim Filing Instructions | Section 5.2 |
| Medical Medicaid/Medicare-related Claim Filing Instructions | Section 5.6.1 |
| Electronic Media Claims (EMC) Submission Guidelines | Appendix B |
| AVRS Quick Reference Guide | Appendix L |
| Alabama Medicaid Contact Information | Appendix N |

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